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(PCT Rules 44bis, b(c) and 72.2)

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1. Transmittal of the translation to the applicant.

The International Bureau transmits herewith a copy of the English translation of the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I).



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None

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3. Reminder regarding translation into (one of) the official language(s) of the elected Office(s).

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It is the applicant's responsibility to prepare and furnish such translation directly to each elected Office concerned within the applicable time limit (Rule 74.1). See Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide for further details.

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY
(Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Rule 44bis)

Applicant's or agent's file reference: FP04-0339-00	FOR FURTHER ACTION		See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/JP2004/019223	International filing date (day/month/year) 22 December 2004 (22.12.2004)	Priority date (day/month/year) 25 December 2003 (25.12.2003)	
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237			
Applicant: Eisai Co., Ltd.			

1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 bis.1(a).

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 6 sheets, including this cover sheet.

In the attached sheets, any reference to the written opinion of the International Searching Authority should be read as a reference to the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) instead.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. I | Basis of the report |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. II | Priority |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. III | Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. IV | Lack of unity of invention |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. V | Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VI | Certain documents cited |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VII | Certain defects in the international application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Box No. VIII | Certain observations on the international application |

4. The International Bureau will communicate this report to designated Offices in accordance with Rules 44bis.3(c) and 93bis.1 but not, except where the applicant makes an express request under Article 23(2), before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date (Rule 44bis .2).

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From the
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

To:

TRANSLATION

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

		Date of mailing (day/month/year)
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International application No. PCT/JP2004/019223	International filing date (day/month/year) 22.12.2004	Priority date (day/month/year) 25.12.2003
International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC		
Applicant Eisai Co., Ltd.		

1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(xii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1(b)(ii) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language:
, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search under Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b).
2. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
- a. type of material:
 a sequence listing
 table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
 in written format
 in computer readable form
 - c. type of filing/furnishing
 contained in the international application as filed.
 filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
 furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search
3. In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
4. Additional comments:

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Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:

the said international application

claim No. 49

because:

the said international application, or the said claims No. 49

relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (specify):

Claim 49 relates to human body treatment techniques based on surgery or therapy.

the description, claims or drawings (indicate particular elements below) or said claims Nos. _____

are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (specify):

the claims, or said claims Nos. _____ are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.

no international search report has been established for said claims Nos. 49

the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing does not comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions in that:

the written form

- has not been furnished
- does not comply with the standard

the computer readable form

- has not been furnished
- does not comply with the standard

the tables related to the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing, if in computer readable form only, do not comply with the technical requirements provided for in Annex C-bis of the Administrative Instructions.

See Supplemental Box for further details.

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Box No. V

Required statement under Rule 43bis (1) and (2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claim(s) _____	1-48, 50	YES
	Claim(s) _____		NO
Inventive step (I)	Claim(s) _____		YES
	Claim(s) _____	1-48, 50	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claim(s) _____	1-48, 50	YES
	Claim(s) _____		NO

2. Citations and explanations:

(Documents)

1. WO 2002/032872 A1 (Eisai Co., Ltd.), 25 April 2002

(Explanation)

Regarding claims 1-48 and 50

Although the inventions of claims 1-48 and 50 are not disclosed in the documents cited in the ISR and are novel, they do not appear to involve an inventive step over document 1 cited in the ISR.

Document 1 describes compounds comprising 4-(3-chloro-4-(cyclopropylaminocarbonyl)aminophenoxy)-7-methoxy-6-quinolinemcarboxamide, or their pharmacologically acceptable salts or hydrates thereof as compounds exhibiting angiogenesis-inhibiting action and useful in the treatment of various cancers, cancer metastases, retinal neovascularization, inflammatory conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, and atherosclerosis, and, furthermore, mentions that they can be refined by recrystallization from appropriate solvents and that suggested pharmacologically acceptable salts include addition salts of organic sulfonic acid, such as methanesulfonic acid salts, toluenesulfonic acid salts, etc., as well as addition salts of inorganic acids, such as chlorides, sulfates, hydrogen bromides, etc. (page 92, line 19 through page 93 line 4), and that white crystals of 4-(3-chloro-4-(cyclopropylaminocarbonyl)aminophenoxy)-7-methoxy-6-quinolinemcarboxamide are obtained in a working example (Working Example 368).

In addition, since it is a common practice to try to improve the stability and other physical properties of compounds used as drugs by converting them to salt, solvate, or crystalline form, a person skilled in the art would obviously try to prepare crystals of various salts and solvates of 4-(3-chloro-4-(cyclopropylaminocarbonyl)aminophenoxy)-7-methoxy-6-quinolinemcarboxamide described in document 1 using appropriate publicly known methods.

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Box No. VI	Certain documents cited			
1. Certain published documents (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.3(i))				
	Application No. Patent No.	Publication date (day/month/year)	Filing date (day/month/year)	Priority date (valid claim) (day/month/year)
	WO 2004/101526 A1 [EX]	25.11.2004	22.04.2004	22.04.2003
	WO 2004/080462 A1 [EX]	23.09.2004	10.03.2004	10.03.2003
	WO 2004/029782 A1 [EX]	13.05.2004	29.10.2003	29.10.2002
2. Non-written disclosures (Rule 43bis.1 and 70.9)				
	Kind of non-written disclosure	Date of non-written disclosure (day/month/year)	Date of written disclosure referring to non-written disclosure (day/month/year)	